### **CLEANING OF TOWN CATCH BASINS**

### **GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS**

BID NUMBER 5889 Due: May 4, 2011 3:00 PM

The Town of Trumbull, Connecticut (hereinafter referred to as Town), through the Office of the Purchasing Agent, will accept sealed bids for the **Cleaning of Town Catch Basins** in accordance with the specifications and requirements contained in this request.

## 1. PREPARATION OF PROPOSALS

- a. Bids shall be submitted by using the enclosed BID PROPOSAL FORM that accompanies this request. Submit one (1) <u>ORIGINAL</u> and two (2) <u>EXACT COPIES</u>. Bidders should submit bids in a clear, concise and legible manner to permit proper evaluation of responsive bids.
- b. Bidders may also submit, under separate cover with their proposal, any samples of reports and documents that are necessary to meet the requirements (deliverables) of this request should a purchase order be awarded
- c. No oral, telephonic, or faxed proposals will be considered. Corrections, deletions, or additions to bids may be made by wire, provided such wires are received in correct and comprehensive form prior to the opening time of bids, and confirmed by letter. No telephone corrections, deletions, or additions will be accepted. The Town reserves the right to reject any or all bids, and to waive any or all formalities in connection therewith.

### 2. BID SUBMISSION

Bids are to be submitted in a sealed envelope addressed as follows:

Bid: 5889 Due: May 4, 2011
Purchasing Agent
Town of Trumbull
5866 Main Street
Trumbull, CT 06611

Please be advised that the person(s) signing the formal proposal must be authorized by your organization to contractually bind your firm with regard to prices and related contractual obligations for the delivery period requested.

## 3. BID TIME

- a) Bids shall be received at the office of the Purchasing Agent, Town Hall, prior to the advertised hour of opening, at which time all proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud. Any bids submitted or received after the advertised hour shall not be accepted, opened or read.
- b) A bidder may withdraw a proposal at any time prior to the above scheduled date and time. Any bid received after the above scheduled date and time shall not be considered or opened.

### 4. TOWN OPTIONS

- a) The TOWN reserves the right to reject any and all bids and does not bind itself to accept the lowest bid or any proposal for this work or any part thereof, and shall have the right to ask for new bids for the whole or parts, should it desire to do so.
- b) If your proposal does not meet or better the required specifications on all points that must be outlined in a letter otherwise it will be presumed that a proposal is in accordance with the required specifications.

## 5. TAXES

All purchases made by the Town, and associated with the award of this requirement shall be tax exempt. Any taxes must not be included in bid prices. A Town Tax Exemption Certificate shall be furnished upon request.

### 6. INQUIRIES

All inquiries regarding this request may be directed to Ms. Theo Samadjopolous (203-452-5070), and shall be answered up to the close of business on May 2, 2011 after which time no additional questions will be accepted. To ensure

consistent interpretation of inquires, answers to questions the Town deems to be in the interest of all bidders will be made available in writing or by Fax as appropriate to all bidders.

The Town reserves the right to communicate with any or all of the bidders to clarify the provisions of Proposals. The Town further reserves the right to request additional information from any bidder at any time after proposals are opened.

### 7. AWARD AND AUTHORITY

The Town Purchasing Agent will issue notification of award in writing or purchase order.

### 8. ASSIGNMENT OF RIGHTS, TITLES, AND INTERESTS

Any assignment or subcontracting the selected contractor for work to be performed, or goods and/or services to be provided, in whole or in part, and any other interest in conjunction with a Town procurement shall not be permitted without the express written consent of the Town of Trumbull.

## 9. HOLD HARMLESS CLAUSE

The Contractor agrees to indemnify, hold harmless and defend the Town from and against any and all liability for loss, damage or expense which the Town may suffer or for which the Town may be held liable by reason of injury, including death, to any person or damage to any property arising out of or in any manner connected with the operations to be performed under this Contract, whether or not due in whole or in part of any act, omission or negligence of the Owner or any of his representatives or employees.

### 10. WORK REGULATIONS AND STANDARDS

All work activities performed in association with this request must be performed and completed for the Town in accordance with current Federal State and Local regulations. All services performed shall also conform to the latest OSHA standards and/or regulations.

#### 11. INSURANCE

The successful bidder shall provide the Town Purchasing Agent with a Certificate of Insurance before work commences. The Town shall be named as an additional insured with an Insurance Company licensed to write such insurance in Connecticut, against the following risks and in not less than the following amounts:

- Worker's Compensation
- Contractor's Public Liability and Property Damage
  - Automobile Insurance

| General Liability                  | Each Person | Each Occurrence | Aggregate   |  |
|------------------------------------|-------------|-----------------|-------------|--|
| Bodily Injury Liability            | \$1,000,000 | \$1,000,000     | \$1,000,000 |  |
| Property Damage Liability          |             | \$1,000,000     | \$1,000,000 |  |
| Personal Injury Liability          |             | \$1,000,000     | \$1,000,000 |  |
| Comprehensive Automobile Liability |             |                 |             |  |
| Bodily Injury                      | \$1,000,000 | \$1,000,000     | \$5,000,000 |  |
| Property Damage                    |             | \$1,000,000     | \$1,000,000 |  |

Such policies shall provide that no coverage shall be changed or cancelled unless thirty- (30) days prior notice of such change or cancellation shall be made to the owner. Such notice shall be made by registered mail; postage prepaid, to the Purchasing Agent, Town of Trumbull, Town Hall, Trumbull, Connecticut 06611.

In the event of cancellation, the contractor shall cease all operations on or before the effective date of said cancellation and he shall not commence work again until he has obtained replacement insurance and has delivered a Certificate of Insurance to the office of the Owner's Purchasing Department.

### 12. WAGES

The Contractor shall pay prevailing wages customary in the area, as defined in section 31-78 of the Connecticut General Statutes and comply with the EEO requirements.

## 13. ADENDUMS

It is the responsibility of the bidder to verify <u>prior to final submittal</u> of a bid or bid if any addenda to this request have been issued. Any addenda to this request shall be posted on the Town of Trumbull website <u>www.trumbull-ct.gov</u> under the Purchasing Department's section. Bidders may also call the Purchasing Department directly 203.452.5042 for inquiries regarding addenda.

### 14. PRICING AND TERM

All prices quoted are to be firm for a period of **one (1) year** following bid opening. Special Consideration will be given to responses with extended firm price dates. The Town is always interested in any and all cost reduction opportunities.

The Town requires firmed fixed prices for a period of one (1) year following Quotation opening and nothing elsewhere in this Quotation shall abrogate this firm period. The Town may renew the term of the award for this requirement for an additional twelve (12) months, at the price stated in the Quotation Response Form by giving the contractor at least thirty (30) days written notice.

### 15. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

No purchase shall be made from nor shall services (other than services as an officer, agent, or employee of the Town) be secured from any officer or employee of the Town, or from any partnership or corporation in which such officer or employee is a partner or officer, or holds a substantial interest, unless such relationship and the fact that such purchase is contemplated shall be made known in writing to the agency making such purchase, and notice thereof posted, for at least five (5) days before such purchase be made, in the office of the agency making such purchase and in a public place in the Trumbull Town Hall.

### **CLEANING OF TOWN CATCH BASINS**

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### TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS

### 1. General Description of Work

There are approximately 600 catch basins within the Town. The awarded contractor(s) shall be responsible for providing cleaning catch basin using the vacuum method of cleaning. Upon completion of each job, catch basins must be free of debris to a degree that will ensure their efficient operation. The degree of cleanliness is to be reasonably determined by the Town Public Works Department designee. The contractor may be recalled to re-clean any unsatisfactorily cleaned basin(s) without charge. The awarded contractor shall be responsible for the proper disposition of all materials collected during the cleaning process as determined by the Public Works Department. All work shall be in accordance with state and local regulations. Bid prices furnished on a per basin basis shall cover the disposition of materials at town dumpsites as designated by the Town.

### 2. Workmen

The contractor will supply at least one competent, faithful, skilled and experienced operator per vehicle to perform the required work. If at any time a Town Public Works Official (or their designee) shall notify the contractor that an assigned operator is apparently incompetent or unfaithful, such operator shall be discharged promptly and shall not be employed again on the job.

### 3. Cleanup

Upon suspension or completion of the work, the contractor shall remove all materials, equipment and rubbish, and shall leave the premises surrounding the catch basin in a neat and orderly condition. Such efforts shall include ensuring that both the basin cover itself and the area immediately surrounding the basin are free from any debris to prevent re-entry of such materials into the basins.

## 4. List of Basins to be Cleaned

A list of basins to be cleaned with their locations shall be supplied to the contractor by the Town's Public Works Official when the work is started and the contractor shall not be paid for cleaning basins other than those designated.

### 5. Experience

Each respondent is required to submit satisfactory evidence as part of their bid proposal demonstrating their experience cleaning catch basins. Accordingly, a list of at least four (4) municipalities where this type of work has been performed during the past five (5) years shall be furnished, including contact persons and phone numbers. (See the attached References sheet.)

### 6. Equipment

All cleaning machines must be capable of efficient, reliable operation. All contractors shall be expected to have and make available extension equipment on an as needed basis in order to properly clean deeper basins. Actual operation of equipment may need to be witnessed/verified by a Public Works Official upon and prior to awarding a purchase order for this requirement. The equipment owned by the contractor will be indicated on the bid, in the space provided, together with the equipment available by lease.

### 7. Traffic

Work is to be accomplished with the least inconvenience to the general public, with due regard to traffic safety.

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## PROPOSAL FORM

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Having received the specifications prepared by the Town the undersigned hereby submits the following Lump Sum Price to perform the work outlined for the subject project, and attests that this bid meets all the specifications and conditions stated in this Request for Proposal as follows:

| Clean out Catch Basin by Vacuum with Equipment (such as a Vac-All): (Approximately 600 catch basins) | \$                                 | _ per basin |
|--|------------------------------------|-------------|
| Describe Equipment to be used here:  |                                    |             |
| One (1) Traffic Controller \$_   | /hr                                |             |
| The above price is firm for  | months.                            |             |
| Note any exceptions or clarifications :(   | use additional pages as necessary) |             |
|  |                                    |             |
|  |                                    |             |
| Company Name   | By (Signature)                     |             |
| Address  | Print Name                         |             |
|  | Title                              |             |
| Date   | Telephone/Fax                      |             |
| Email  | Emergency Phone                    |             |

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## **REFERENCES**

(To be submitted with proposal – attach additional pages as necessary)

List references for similar services provided for at least Four (4) clients in the past five (5) years (attach any other client references if desired). PLEASE NOTE IT IS THE TOWN'S INTENT TO COMMUNICATE WITH THE REFERENCES LISTED HEREIN.

| CLIENT 1:          |        |  |
|--------------------|--------|--|
| Organization Name: |        |  |
| Contact Name:      | Phone: |  |
| Service Dates:     |        |  |
| Project(s):        |        |  |
| CLIENT 2:          |        |  |
| Organization Name: |        |  |
| Contact Name:      | Phone: |  |
| Service Dates:     |        |  |
|                    |        |  |
| CLIENT 3:          |        |  |
| Organization Name: |        |  |
|                    | Phone: |  |
| Service Dates:     |        |  |
|                    |        |  |
| CLIENT 4:          |        |  |
| Organization Name: |        |  |
|                    | Phone: |  |
| Service Dates:     |        |  |
| Project(s):        |        |  |